

President Obama's freewheeling discussion with Congressional Republicans last weekend has many Capitol Hill insiders asking for more. Pundits and politicians suggest the president adopt a British tradition in which the prime minister regularly takes questions from Parliament.

It's called Prime Minister's Question Time. Once a week, the head of the British government spends half an hour taking questions on any topic from members of Parliament.

Republican Congressman **John Campbell** of Irvine was so enthusiastic about Barack Obama's appearance at the Congressional GOP retreat, he thinks the conversation should continue. He suggests that sitting presidents adopt an American version of Question Time.

He says every once and a while, presidents should be "required to come to Congress and take questions and answer them just to engage in the debate and so the public can hear both sides at once."

Anti-tax activist Grover Norquist and Democratic political consultant Joe Trippi also endorse an online campaign called "Demand Question Time." The White House is not so keen on the idea. The president's senior advisor David Axelrod says a regular Q & A session would sap the "freshness" from the give-and-take between branches of government.